

OUR MISSION

The mission of the *Making Waves* program is to play a key role in the reduction of child drowning incidents in Mesa through Water Safety education and teaching our disadvantaged youth how to swim.



QUOTES FROM MAKING WAVES FAMILIES

"I think the program is great! The staff is extremely helpful, encouraging, friendly, and fun! My kids loved it. I feel lucky to live here and participate."

"Being a single mom that works part-time, I appreciate these opportunities, Thank you!"

"This program is "SUPER"! Keeps my kids with positive people, helps my kids to be in shape. Teaches my kids to have respect, discipline, and responsibility."

"My 4 year-old was very scared of the water, this program benefited him a lot, he overcame his fear of the water and now we can't keep him out. You guys did a great job!"

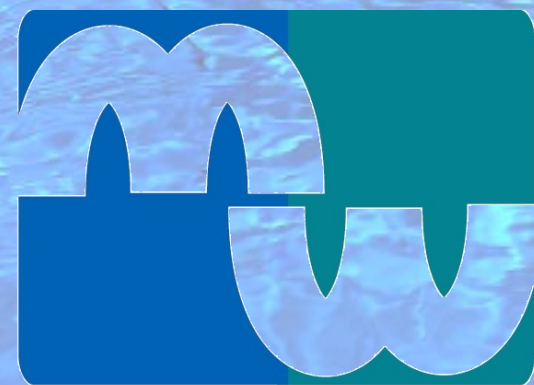
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WHAT WE DO

Making Waves provides opportunities for youth to participate in safe, structured, and well-supervised activities that their families would not normally be able to afford. Learn-to-swim classes and recreation teams are offered as part of the program. To help in the battle against drowning incidents of children, all components of the **Making Waves** program incorporate water safety education.

Making Waves is a program where grants and giving are turned into scholarships that pay the way for low-income children of all diverse backgrounds to register for swimming programs provided by the City of Mesa.



For more information on
"**Making Waves**", or how your
business can make a splash in the
lives of youth-in-need,
Call Mark Foote at
(480) 644-4951

WHAT YOUR FINANCIAL GENEROSITY PROVIDES

A **Making Waves** scholarship provides the \$20 registration fee for a session of swim lessons, and the \$60 fee for a competitive team membership. Swim Lessons are taught in eight thirty minute lessons during a two week session. Four sessions are offered each summer. Competitive teams practice for 1 hour, four days a week during the eight weeks of June and July; they also participate in weekly competitions.

WHAT WE ACCOMPLISHED THIS YEAR

With **Making Waves** 100% of the money that is donated by our sponsors is used to fund kids in the program. The City of Mesa covers administrative costs .

Summer 2009

Total Swim Lesson Scholarships Awarded	956
Total Competitive Scholarships Awarded	27
Total Scholarship Dollars Used	\$20,715.00

Summer 2008

\$24,940.00

Summer 2007

\$19,500.00

Since 2000 the Making Waves program has helped over
7,000 youth to learn-to-swim!

Making Waves Is Saving Lives

